

REMARKS

Claims 1 –50 herein have been canceled. Applicant reserves the right to present these claims in a later filed application. In fact, a PCT application designating the United States of America which presents these claims, and additional claims, has been filed.

Responsive to the restriction requirement mailed on October 20, 2004, applicant elects Species III, drawn to a method for processing raw mass spectral data. It is believed that claims 50 – 81, and claims 82 – 87 are within the scope of this species.


Newly added claims 88 - 116 are directed to a sub-combination of elected claim 50 (see claim 52), and have recitations similar to claims dependent on claim 50. To the extent that the subject matter of claims 88 – 116 is used to patentably define over the prior art, it is respectfully requested that claims 88 – 116, be examined as well. Claims 117 and 118 depend from claims 50 to 116.

Forms PTO-1449 (three) and eight documents cited thereon are enclosed. It is requested that the Examiner make these, as well as the previously submitted documents, of record.

The previous power of attorney in this application has been revoked, and a new power of attorney to the undersigned is enclosed herewith.

A check in the amount of \$1,176 to cover the presentation of 114 additional dependent claims, and for the first presentation of a multiple dependent claim is enclosed. If any additional fee is required, please charge deposit account no. 502244. A duplicate page is enclosed.

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